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CONVENTION CLIPPINGS

And the crowds came; there were people from every part of the State—men, women and some children. The fellowship was glorious. The people looked like they were hungry to see one another.

The assignment committee worked overtime in its efforts to see that everybody was properly located. Some confusion is always inevitable, but these people gave themselves without sparing to the work day and night.

A good imitation: "Be ye imitators of that which is good."

A Great Publishing Company: "The women that publish it are a great host."

The Gulfport church has let their contract for a church house on the beach, to cost \$35,000.

Dr. Grace, pastor at Lyman, recently baptized ten as a result of the meeting there. The Lord's work moves on.

Brother L. M. Phillips, editor of The Mississippi Baptist, was in the office a few days since. He is doing good work in General Association.

Meridian has organized a system of "Associated Charities." All pastors and churches have encouraged it at a recent meeting over which Dr. Shipman presided. Congressman Witherspoon made the address, and good contributions were made. The Jews were especially liberal.

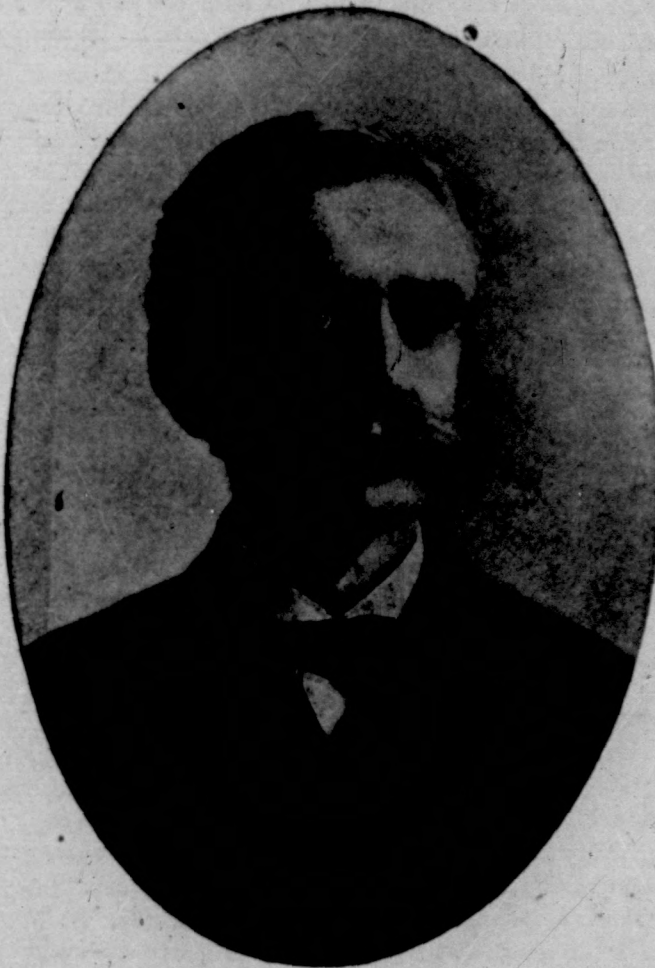
President Lowrey makes a most fair and courteous presiding officer in the convention. It is marvelous how many things he does well. He knows how to make a great college, to lead a great church and preside over a great convention. We haven't heard of his failing at anything yet. The brethren delight to honor him.

More Improvements for the Orphanage.

Our orphanage board at its meeting on November 12, seeing the great need for more room, decided to make additional improvements, by asking our brethren over the State to make a special contribution of \$2,000 to finish the third floor of our new building. One thousand dollars of this was raised at the meeting of our convention. I wonder if there are not ten or twenty people who will give \$50 or \$100 apiece to make out this \$2,000? We want to begin the work right away. I feel that we cannot afford to take it out of the support fund, as we did not receive enough last year to meet our running expenses, with no

improvements. Let some of our readers take it upon themselves to see their friends and get up \$50 or \$100 for this purpose. Write me if you will do this, so I will know whom to depend upon.

This floor finished will furnish ample room for our girls for years to come, but does not provide room for our boys so our board asked for the appointment of a committee to see about buying other farm lands to which our



Rev. W. T. Lowrey, D. D.
Elected President Mississippi Baptist State Convention.

larger boys may be transferred where we think, under proper management, they will be able to make their own living and get their training, too. This committee will begin the work of looking out for a suitable farm right soon.

Brethren, we are doing our best to prepare to meet the growing demands that are constantly being made upon us, but we are entirely dependent upon you. Let us hear from you.

Yours truly, J. R. Carter.

The education commission, which was mentioned a year ago in the convention, materialized this time. Nine brethren were appointed and they will meet soon to outline their plan and policy for educating the people about education.

The modern Corbin in a large part of our country now is the boll weevil. Jesus said that some of His contemporaries sought to escape the responsibility of caring for their fathers and mothers by saying that their money was corban—that is, devoted to God, a nominal and fictitious transfer. We are in danger of seeking a similar escape from the responsibility of giving to support the Gospel by saying that the boll weevil got all the Lord's money. Beware of the boll weevil corban!

Dr. I. W. Read goes from Gloster to Leland the first of December. We are glad he remains in Mississippi, and know he will find noble people at Leland.

The house formerly used by the Central church at Newton, has been sold to the town, and is now being used as a city hall. The united church is looking for Brother Patterson to begin his work as pastor, December first.

That was a fine address of Dr. Sampson's on the Seminary and the country churches. He gave his experience in his present pastorate as a concrete example, where the country church is made the center of the social life as well as religious life of the community.

Dr. W. H. Mayfield, of the Mayfield Sanitarium, St. Louis, was at the convention and made a great speech from a big heart on the ministry to the sick and suffering. He has been doing this kind of work in the name of the Lord Jesus for more than a quarter of a century and has dedicated himself and his entire property to God for this work. Baptists now have four hospitals in St. Louis, worth half a million dollars. At the close of his speech a collection broke out in the congregation and \$6,000 was subscribed.

The First Baptist church had taken great care to make the house attractive and comfortable for the guests at the convention.

Our "clear-headed" recording secretary, Brother W. E. Lee, was doing business in his usual worthy way. He wears well. His handwriting and his expression are as clear as his head.

And there were some from outside of the State. Besides the regular representatives of the boards, we had Mississippians that had been banished to other states for having made such a reputation at home as to make others covet them.

Seventy-Fourth Session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Reported by MARTIN BALL.

The conference of the ministers of the State was held at the First Baptist church on Tuesday morning and night. The meeting was called to order by Dr. P. I. Lipsey. After interesting devotional exercises conducted by W. L. House, of Macon, the conference was organized by electing Jas. B. Leavell of Gulfport, president, and Martin Ball, of Winona, secretary. An interesting program was rendered, the key-word of which was "Christian Education." The speeches were requested for publication, as for sometime the subject of education will be before our people. The conference served before our people. About 100 pastors attended the conference meeting. The conference sermon was preached by W. B. Hall, of Greenville. The sermon was well conceived and ably presented by the preacher. The large audience was charmed, and all felt that it was the mountain-peak hour of the conference.

In the auditorium of the First church streamers were arranged on the walls representing the various interests of the convention. Some of them were: "Southern Baptist churches, 24,000," "Number wholly unlisted, 11,000," "The Baptist Record states for every phase of God's work," "Home Board evangelism, first year's record, evangelists, 18; meetings, 241. Conversions, 5,942. Baptisms, 3,739. Total additions, 5,381; volunteers for the ministry and mission work, 683." "It is at least as essential to save what we already have as to save that which is lost."—Hatcher. "The supreme task of the Southern Baptist Convention is to enlist the unenlisted and develop the undeveloped."—Gambrell. "The Woman's College at Hattiesburg. Enrollment Nov. 11, 1912, 152."—A. "The Mississippi Baptist Hospital—help the sick. Luke 9:2."

Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock President W. B. Whittington called the convention to order and announced that Harry Leland Martin, of Indianola, would conduct the devotions during the convention. "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" was sung. Prayer was offered by Dr. J. R. Sampey, of Louisville, Ky. Matt. 18:20 was read, "where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst." Helpful comments were made on this Scripture. Prayer was offered by Dr. T. J. Bailey.

The roll call was dispensed with. The president announced the convention ready for organization. T. J. Shipman, of Meridian, nominated the present presiding officer, W. M. Whittington, of Greenwood. He announced that considering his duties in the Federal court he could not serve. Very kind words were spoken concerning the work and efficiency of President Whittington. The names of J. E. Byrd and W. T. Lowrey were presented for the presidency. The convention seemed very loath to give up Brother Whittington as president.

The following officers were elected: W. T. Lowrey, president; E. F. Noel and M. P. L. Love, vice-presidents; Walton E. Lee, corresponding secretary, and S. G. Cooper, statistical secretary.

Dr. W. T. Lowrey not being present, Gov. E. F. Noel, vice-president, was requested to preside until such time as Dr. Lowrey shall arrive.

Address of welcome was delivered by Dr. Wm. A. Borum, pastor of the First Baptist church. He said in part: "Jackson is a city of conventions of all kinds. I give you a hearty welcome to our city, church and homes. The convention met here 12 years ago when the city was small and when the Baptist cause was weak and when the church was encumbered with debt, and this convention exonerated it; and now we come to give some account of our stewardship. Since that time Baptists have more than quadrupled in numbers and kept progress with all other interests in the State.

In ten years the contributions of the convention to foreign missions have gone from \$16,000 to \$41,000. It would be hard to find any denomination which has made such splendid progress. We are going on to greater things in the future: \$300,000 for Mississippi College, \$50,000 for the Baptist Hospital, and other great things.

The response was made by Dr. W. H. Morgan, pastor of the First Baptist church of Brookhaven. He said in part: "Jackson has come to be the capitol of Baptist interests as well as the interests of the State.

"This church is in some measures a child of this convention, and it is fitting now that this meeting of the convention be held here. We are glad to be here, and we join hands with you as you have so courteously welcomed us, and hope this convention will as expressed in the address of welcome, launch out into the great movements for the glory of God. We are glad to be here."

Secretary A. V. Rowe read the twenty-seventh report of the Convention Board. The report makes beautiful reference to the departure of our beloved Brother H. F. Sproles, who was loved ardently by every brother of the convention. The report mentions the death of several missionaries. The report shows that only \$1,699.26 has been given for the aged ministers' fund. The report further shows that 758 were baptized by the missionaries; 767 received by letter; 180 restored; seven churches organized, and 133 Sunday Schools; \$1,586.00 collected by the missionaries for State Missions; \$982.00 for Home Missions; \$1,286.00 for Foreign Missions, and \$4,850.00 for other purposes.

Received for State Missions, \$26,000.00. General Association gave \$5,000.00. In the face of great difficulties the board has made great progress.

After the devotional exercises, conducted

by H. L. Martin, the trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital made their report. The board projected the hospital on a basis of \$100,000 and is soliciting funds with this end in view. The board has arranged that one-half of it be built now as a complete hospital, and the remainder as the funds come in. Plans have been adopted for the building. Rev. Bryan Simmons was elected as financial secretary of the board, and has done efficient work during the past few months. Additional secretaries will be put in the field at an early date to assist in raising the \$50,000 needed now. During the past year there have been 193 patients treated in our hospital, and of this number 17 were charity patients. The total number of deaths were seven, thus giving us a mortality of 3.7 per cent, which is exceedingly low for an institution taking general cases. The usefulness of the institution has been greatly hindered by the lack of room. If we had had room, we could have had over 500 patients during the past year. The capacity of the hospital is only 14 patients and this capacity is at present taxed. The nurses are compelled to room outside of the hospital—thus entailing an additional expense of \$240.00 per year. The hospital has been self-supporting.

Superintendent J. R. Carter, of the orphanage, read the report of the trustees of the home. The report states that the demands have been very great upon the home to care for helpless orphans and from homeless, dependent mothers broken down in health by exposure and over-work. Many of these women and children are suffering for the necessities of life and for the lack of physical and medical attention; many others are going to wreck and ruin for the want of better moral surroundings. The report recommends:

1. That our preachers preach more on filial obedience and practical authority.
2. Let everyone use his influence to get such laws enacted as will compel the trifling fathers and older boys in the family to support the family.

3. Let us encourage and support the Children's Home Finding Society. We have one in Mississippi with headquarters at Jackson, Meridian, Hattiesburg, etc., with Rev. Jno. L. Green and wife at its head. 554 children have been received into our home for a shorter or longer time; 191 have been returned to parents and near relatives; 53 have gone out for themselves into the different vocations of life; 28 have been adopted into Christian homes; 28 have married and are doing well; 14 have died, and we have in our home at present 227. 58 have been received during the year; 27 returned to mothers and near relatives; 8 have gone out for themselves; 4 adopted into Christian homes; 3 in college; no deaths; two have had operations—otherwise not a serious case of illness.

The trustees recommend that steps be taken to raise \$2,000 for the completion of the girls' building. That a committee be appointed by the convention to take under advisement, and with authority to act for the board, the securing of a farm to provide room and employment for our larger boys. The total disbursements have been \$15,666.37 and the cash receipts, \$14,495.42. Everything was encouraging.

The committee on the Tri-State Hospital at Memphis, reported: The present building of the Baptist Memorial Hospital, which has a capacity of about 150 beds, has cost in round numbers \$225,000.00. This building, together with the lot upon which it stands, is worth practically \$300,000.00, and is one of the greatest assets, both for its property value and its opportunity and power for usefulness, that the Baptists have anywhere in the South. We have a training school of 42 nurses—35 pupil nurses and 7 graduate nurses. \$125,000.00 has been paid in cash; the balance has been borrowed. There are about \$70,000.00 in unpaid subscriptions. Mississippi has paid \$54,000.00. The hospital has treated 464 patients—174 of these have been from Mississippi.

J. L. Johnson, Jr., presented the report on the Layman's Movement. There have been 125 laymen's meetings held in 30 associations. The State Mission Board appropriated to this work \$500.00, of which only \$225.00 has been used.

The trustees of the Mississippi Woman's College presented the report through the president. The enrollment is now 153—with everything looking hopeful.

Dr. J. R. Sampey, of Louisville, Ky., represented the Seminary. He made a unique speech on the "Country Church" which every one enjoyed. A collection of \$1,200.00 for the students' fund at the Theological Seminary was taken and he said it was the easiest collection he had ever taken.

The convention adjourned with prayer by J. E. Thigpen, of Flora.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The devotions were conducted by Harry Leland Martin. "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" was sung. The last portion of the 25th chapter of Matthew was read. Prayer was offered by the leader. Sang "Glory to His Name."

Vice-President M. P. L. Love presided. The report of the committee on the Convention Board was read by Chairman W. A. Jordan, of Starkville.

The report says: "We now have 150,000 members of Baptist churches in this State. This is more than any other denomination. Our chief strength lies in the country churches; many of these churches are undeveloped.

"Our State is an agricultural country. Our lands are increasing in value and will double their present value in ten years. There must be better roads, better schools, better churches and better social conditions if we hold the young people in the country.

"Our religion must keep pace with commercial progress, or we will suffer loss. The

opening of the Panama Canal and the completion of a drainage and levee system along the Mississippi river will lift us to a place of great importance in the commercial world. Here is our great danger. There has been a distinct drift away from the country to the towns and cities. The State Board has as its main effort to strengthen our cause in these centers. Hence the great need of a more aggressive movement among our country churches.

"We have a difficult situation in the Delta. This is the largest single body of rich land in the United States. But the conditions religiously are chaotic. The people are worldly. Money is plentiful and everybody believes in having a good time. Our young people in the Delta are slipping away from the influences of Christianity. Now we must have a more aggressive policy relative to the Delta. The automobile and moving pictures are two factors that are sapping the very life out of Christianity.

"Again, the State is moving forward along educational lines. Our public schools are increasing in attendance and efficiency. The agricultural schools are being established in every county. Our State schools have no superiors and not many equals as to equipment, etc. Our denominational schools are making rapid strides; so that our State is progressing from an educational point of view. Upon the Baptist denomination more than any other does the responsibility rest. First, because of the numbers and character of our constituency; and second, because of our stronghold in the country and among the masses. Our democratic form of government appeals to both country and town, rich and poor, black and white.

"Our success in evangelism is not equalled by any other denomination, but we need development and better equipment. The work of the State Board will never be completed. The time will never come when we can abandon or lessen our efforts. The General Education Board has recognized the number and character of our denominational schools in making us one of the few, which have received large donations for Christian education. The State Board will play a very important part in raising the one-half-million-dollar endowment for Mississippi College.

"There were 758 baptisms by missionaries and 908 by others where missionaries labored, making a total of 1,666 persons baptized through efforts of the board this year. In 1893, \$4,646.12 was given to State Missions; 1903, \$13,779.00 was given for same purpose; 1912 \$26,000.00."

Among many other good things which Chairman Jordan said in speaking concerning the report, were that figures do not express it all; as Dr. J. B. Gambrell said, there is a trinity in the agencies—the college, the State Mission Board and the State paper. Five-sixths of our churches are in the country. There is a distinct drift of our people to the town. Many of the young men going from the country into the town are lost. In 1872 we had no State Board. The only work in the State then was that done by the domestic mission board at Marion, Ala.

That year about \$3,000.00 was expended in the State, and about \$3,400.00 was given back to the board. This, contrasted with what was done this year, shows very great progress. The work is enlarging all the while.

Dr. A. V. Rowe spoke to the report of the boards. He said the Mississippi of today is not the Mississippi of forty years ago. Baptists are no longer in the least place among the denominations, but in the forefront. The State Mission Board has unified our people and opened their eyes to see the needs. There are calls on us for larger work. We are to have a larger Mississippi. Ours is the day of opportunity. The churches must be the aggressors in this work. If we are to have additional power we must have a strong backing of churches. If we are still to hold principles, such as we have always held, we must have our churches developed to meet rising adverse conditions. To save Mississippi means a larger care for State Missions is needed. Let State Missions be second to no question.

E. D. Solomon also spoke to the report, and gave what he termed God's law of progress. The people sold their possessions and laid them at the apostles' feet. The sacrifice was great, but the blessings came in proportion.

The report of the committee on Laymen's Work was read by Perrin Lowrey. The report showed the amount of work done in laymen's meetings. The report recommended that the State Board elect a man and put him in the field and pay him a sufficient salary to justify him to give all his time to the work. N. W. P. Bacon moved that the report be amended by striking out that recommendation.

Dr. J. T. Henderson, of Bristol, Va., secretary of the laymen's movement of the Southern Baptist Convention, spoke and showed what it took to make a great man. Proper use of the purse, the heart, the head and hands. He held the audience well under his control for an hour, and it was late in the evening. He pressed upon the audience the importance of the laymen's Convention at Chattanooga.

The amendment offered by Dr. N. W. P. Bacon was withdrawn, and the report as presented was adopted.

The convention adjourned till tomorrow morning. Prayer by W. C. Grace.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

After the devotions and the reading and approving the journal of yesterday the report of the committee on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. H. W. Provence, of Clinton. The report urged the systematic collection of funds for Foreign Missions, and pressed the importance of continuing the mission study classes. The work of Christian education is also being developed as rapidly as possible with the resources available. There are 218 schools for boys and girls, with 5,600 pupils. In the nine women's training schools, 312 students are preparing for Christian service, and in the ten theological schools with 245 students for the ministry. We have at present 271 mis-

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EDITORIAL.

WHAT SAITH THE SCRIPTURE?

Written at request of Ministers' Conference.

From Genesis to Revelation! It might seem a long text, if all the Bible were on this subject. But while it says much and speaks with authority about education, it is not a treatise on pedagogy, in no sense a scientific system on this subject. It rather shows us education in the process. It is like a glass bee hive; you can see the work going on. It is God's demonstration farm, in which you can see the method and product. It is done on a great scale—the scale of centuries and races, that we may see closely and be properly impressed with the dignity of the enterprise.

We ought first to discover and definitely determine what is the object to be attained. The end that God has in mind is a man.

In the Bible account of creation the climax is reached in man. Not only so, but there is a certain deliberateness and dignity of purpose expressed in His saying: "Let us make man, in our image, after our likeness, and give him dominion." He is made with an endowment and a destiny different from any other created being. "The earth brought forth" all other things at the command of God, but the hand of God was employed in the fashioning of man in a way distinct from other creatures, and He breathed in him the breath of life.

There began a long process of training, of education, instruction, discipline.

Paul tells us that He gave some to be apostles or prophets, or evangelists, or pastors and teachers, until we all come to the unity of the faith, the full knowledge of the Son of God unto a full grown man, unto the

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measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ. He is never going to cease till this end is attained, till we come to be like Him, the reproduction of His glorious image, the restored image of God, His own children. When He shall be manifested, we shall be like Him. He is able even to transform our vile bodies into the likeness of His glorious body. He has predestinated us to be conformed to the image of His Son.

Again, Paul in Romans, gives both the process and the end to be attained in education when He says: "Be ye transfigured by the renewing of your minds, that ye may prove what is the will of God, the good, the well-pleasing, the perfect." Here is urged the rebuilding, the restoring of the mind, the rehabilitating of the intellect, by which the character itself is more than transformed—is transfigured. There is nothing on earth that can be standard and pattern for man. All its ideals and measurements fall short. He is not to be conformed to this age. Its fashions are ephemeral and changeful. This age is too short and its habits quickly doffed and discarded for such an immortal being as man. Nothing but the likeness of the eternal and unchangeable God can be the end he seeks and to which he shall attain. And so he is to be transfigured that he may come to embody in himself and demonstrate to all creation and through all eternity what is the original and the final purpose of God; that he may show what God had in mind, that he may come to be the embodiment of the highest conception of the mind of the Almighty God, His will, the good, the well-pleasing, the perfect.

The education that does not have this as its aim and ideal is not worthy of us, is not suited to man's needs and fails in the first and highest essential. The school that does not have this conception cannot make your child and mine what he ought to be, needs to be, was destined to be. To fall short of the ideal, or to have any lower standard is to impede the purpose of God to mar His highest handiwork and fall short of the destiny of man. The psalmist looking forward through the present low estate of man saw his day of exaltation and coronation, when he said: "What is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man that thou visitest him. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands. Thou hast crowned him with glory and honor."

THE INDIVIDUAL BAPTIST.

Rice, probably the most widely distributed grain, is in this country often poorly prepared. In China and Japan, where it is the staple article of food, and in Louisiana and the Carolinas where it is esteemed as a delicacy, rice is prepared in such a manner as to avoid the forming of a gummy mass, or a gelatinous jelly. Although a homogeneous aggregation, each grain lies separate from every other grain.

Mississippi Baptists have just closed one of the most important sessions in the history of their convention. The establishment of the Education Commission, the inauguration of the endowment move, and

other new and necessary steps, will ever mark the convention of 1912 as an important one. Delegates and visitors seemed more enthusiastic over missions; the hospital came into its own; The Baptist Record was given a place on a par with the various causes which the convention fosters; many things were done which indelibly impressed those who heard and saw with the necessity for supporting all of the phases of God's work. Another good index was the ease with which money was raised for several causes.

Now! The time for talking and planning, for discussing and hearing about the work in convention is past. Some of you spoke of the need for this or that work; others heard; still others heard only the echo from afar. All of us should have become enthusiasts. But "let us be doers of the Word, and not hearers only."

The actual test of the value of the convention lies in its effect upon the individual Baptist. Like the grain in the well-prepared dish of rice, each member necessarily stands alone in his responsibility to God. The work of the convention must go on—not because it is the convention work, but because it is the work of God.

All of the promises and pledges made in the whole session will amount to naught if the individual Baptist, who made each pledge, does not go to and redeem his pledge. All of the enthusiasm for missions, the hospital, the endowment, The Record, or what not, will be as steam blown through the whistle unless we go home with that same enthusiasm and work for these worthy objects.

Just as each one of us is saved individually, and is individually responsible to God for what he does and does not do, just so does the success of this year's work among Baptists in Mississippi depends upon the individual Baptist. What are you going to do about it?

THE PUZZLE SWITCH.

There is an intricate piece of railroad construction called the "puzzle switch." To the uninitiated the puzzle seems to be whether a train striking the switch would go to the right or left—or straight up! The solution, however, after one is "shown" is absurdly simple. When in one position the switch shows a red light, and directs all trains which pass over it to one side, on to another track; when in the other it displays a green light and gives all trains from whatsoever direction a straight track. Whenever the switch is thrown a maze of steel and a tangle of rails appears to be, but it is only necessary to reverse the lever and the puzzle resolves itself into two tracks, apparently as separate and distinct as two intersecting lines—a straight track from four directions.

To a sinner the way of salvation is a puzzle. Not only does the whole affair seem a tangle, but whenever a continuous path does appear, it is either devious or turns to one side, away from the main line of salvation which he wants to travel. Reading prayerfully one day the Word of God, he finds, as if by chance, the switch

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lever—the key to the puzzle: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Almost at once the red danger signal changes to the green of safety. The rails assemble and the sinner moves straight ahead on the salvation-track.

He takes his orders from Christ the Christian's Chief Dispatcher, and if he follows orders, pulls into the Heavenly terminal with a full tonnage of precious souls picked up at way-sidings.

The publishers of that interesting little book, "That Little Pongee Gown," by David Patrick McMillan, are contemplating issuing a second edition because of its great popularity. If you wish to get a copy before the first edition is exhausted, you should send 50 cents to the Clinton Print Shop, Clinton, Miss. The proceeds from the sale of the book will go toward building a home for unfortunate girls in Japan.

"Do your Christmas shopping early!" Thus the slogan comes again. The hurry-scurry of last-moment shopping; the delay in the arrival of presents ordered; the vexation at finding that your purchases "have not come;" and last and largest, the tired people who wait on you and deliver the goods—all these are reasons for early Christmas shopping. Start buying your gifts right now. Turn to the last page of The Baptist Record and pick out a Bible—a most appropriate and appreciated gift to anyone.

Special Notice.

The Convention Board will meet in the mission rooms of the First Baptist church, Jackson, December 3, at 4:30 p. m. The board at this meeting will make appropriations for the year 1913. Churches and executive committees that desire to make application for help will write immediately to the undersigned for application blanks. These application blanks are intended to get information for the board from first sources, so as to do the work intelligently.

A. V. Rowe.

W. C. Grace.

Gulfport, Miss., Nov. 9, 1912.

We closed a meeting at Lyman on last Sunday night with 35 additions to the church. I began the meeting on Saturday night before the fourth Sunday in October, and was joined on Monday night by Brother Harmon Holcomb, of Clinton, who did the preaching for the balance of the meeting. Brother Crisco and wife conducted the singing to the delight of the large congregations that assembled, especially at night. Brother Holcomb captured the hearts of his people by his earnest, direct and Scriptural presentation of the Gospel message. He made each one feel that he was the special object of address. The Lord was with us from the first service. We closed with 35 additions with more soon to follow.

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Convention Echoes.

Martin Ball.

Dr. Mayfield, the originator of hospital work in the South, made a profound impression upon the convention in his magnificent talk on our hospital work. It was a great hour.

Pastor Harry Leland Martin was exceedingly happy in leading the thoughts of the members of the convention in spiritual lines. He was ever ready to present some splendid passage of Scripture.

We were greatly rejoiced to have Dr. J. J. Van Ness, editorial secretary of the Sunday School Board, with us and his splendid address on the Sunday School work.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas came in on Friday morning, and gave us helpful suggestions. He spoke of the Southwestern Theological Seminary. We are always glad to have you; come again.

Dr. George W. Riley, of Houston, Miss., sent the following telegram: "How I long to be with you. I trust you have had a great convention. Evangelist Sid Williams is with me in a meeting. Pray for us. God's blessings be upon you. II Cor. 12:14."

The spirit of denominational and Christian education pervaded the pastors' conference and every session of the convention. In fact, this was an educational convention.

When the reports on Mississippi College and the Woman's College were read and discussed, the church was filled to its utmost capacity—the largest gathering during the convention.

Brother J. R. McCordle, of Purvis, Miss., was taken very ill while in attendance at the convention. We wish him a speedy recovery.

The convention sermon, preached by Dr. W. B. Hall, of Greenville, was very practical and to the point. He proved himself master of the hour.

Dr. B. D. Gray, of the Home Mission Board occupied the Home Mission hour to the delight and profit of all who heard him. Another Mississippian who is always welcome to come home—one who has a world outlook.

The good people of Jackson opened up their hearts and homes and the convention was royally entertained. We extend thanks and appreciation to pastors and people.

A beautiful picture of the proposed building for our Mississippi Baptist Hospital hung on the wall of the First church. The \$50,000 to erect the building will be forthcoming. Bryan Simmons and J. C. Parker will so present the subject that our people will respond.

It was a sad disappointment to many that the banquet which had been arranged for the "King's Teachers," did not materialize. Secretary J. E. Byrd suffered much discomfort.

We had in attendance at the convention three foreign-missionaries—Brethren R. T. Bryan, from China; H. W. Provence, now pastor at Clinton, and R. W. Hooker, from Mexico. We are always glad to have these men who have been on the firing line.

W. A. McComb.

We are in a very gracious meeting here. Will run 12 days longer. I go from here to Little Rock, Ark., for a campaign. If you will kindly remember us in your prayers and ask the readers of The Record to do so, I will be glad.

May the Lord abundantly bless you and yours is my sincere prayer.

Middlesboro, Kentucky.

To the Churches of Pearl Leaf Association.

You remember at our meeting with Salem church arrangements were made for a mission rally at each church. A few of these meetings have already been held, and are resulting in much good. They are instructive, intensely interesting, and should have great crowds to hear what has been done and is being done on the field.

When the rally day comes for your church let each member do all he can to get the people out to hear Brother Wall and Brother Williams, for they are powerful speakers, interpreting and unfolding the missionary messages of Christ and His apostles.

No collections will be taken at these meetings. Jas. N. Welch, Moderator.

Notice—Free Cars for the Baptist and Methodist Orphanages.

Free cars for the Baptist and Methodist orphanages will run as follows:

M. & O., from Corinth South, Tuesday, December 3.

M. & O., from State Line to Waynesboro, November 29. From Waynesboro to Meridian, November 30.

I. C., Osyka to Jackson, Tuesday, December 3.

I. C., from Aberdeen to Jackson via Durant, November 26.

G. & S. I., from Hattiesburg to Jackson, December 3.

N. O. G. N., from Columbia to Jackson, December 12.

There are others being arranged for, and the time and route will be published as soon as arrangements are completed.

Let our people who want to take advantage of these cars, take notice and govern themselves accordingly. Let the associative appointees arrange for some one to come along in the cars to arrange and take care of the goods.

Let everybody bring the goods to the depot the day before the car runs. Send corn, cured meats, canned goods, flour, rice, grits, molasses, and all the other things that you have been sending. We have a fine bunch of hogs and need corn to feed them. Sack up lots of it and get it in the cars.

A happy Thanksgiving to all.

Yours truly,

J. R. Carter.

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sionaries. The native workers have been increased to 52, making a total force of 448. There are 342 native churches, and many of these are exhibiting a most commendable growth in self-support and in missionary activity. Sunday School work is receiving more attention than ever before. There are now 22 Sunday Schools, and the missionaries are trying to increase the number of trained teachers as rapidly as possible. Medical work is proving a most effective evangelistic agency. In six hospitals and 13 dispensaries 13 medical missionaries treated 51,796 patients during the year. Four publishing plants are sending out millions of pages of religious literature. Never before was there such an opportunity for moulding the life of a great heathen people as we have now in China. The revolution which broke the fetters of Manchu rule marked the dawning of a new day for the nation. The people are more open to the reception of the Gospel than they have ever been before. The following recommendations were made by the committee:

1. That one people be urged to read the Foreign Mission Journal and the excellent tracts issued by the board.

2. That our pastors be requested to promote the study of missions in every way possible.

3. That we undertake to raise at least \$42,000 apportioned to Mississippi for the current year.

4. That our churches be urged to adopt some method by which their gifts shall be sent in regularly each month.

Dr. Proving spoke of the influence of all the equipment we have on the foreign field. The work is progressing very rapidly on every field.

Missionary H. T. Bryan was introduced. He spoke enthusiastically of the great work that is being done in China. He gave a recital of preaching the Gospel to the revolutionary army, and the privilege of presenting the Gospel to the dying nations.

Dr. R. W. Hooker, of Mexico, spoke to the report. He showed there is a deeper fanaticism in Mexico than in Rome itself. We are ignorant of the conditions and of the work we are doing. He showed that he had reached 1,800 Mexicans with the Gospel as the people have come to his dispensary. As a simple preacher he would not have reached half so many. The first thing he does is to read the Scripture and pray; he can then proceed to efforts to heal the body.

O. B. Taylor read the report of the trustees of Mississippi College. The total enrollment this year is 380 and students are still coming in. The report spoke very feelingly of the death of Dr. H. F. Sproles. Dr. P. I. Lipsey has been secured to take his work for the balance of the year. The entire endowment of the college to date is \$133,464.00. The total valuation of the buildings is \$169,113.45. Library and apparatus and furniture is \$8,919.00, and the W. A. Wells memorial, \$500.00, making a total of \$312,896.45. There has been no deficit in current expenses during the last

year. There is a surplus of \$27,000.00 in the fund for operating expenses. The General Education Board of New York has given \$100,000 on condition that \$200,000 be raised by the Baptists of the State for endowment. \$45,000 of this amount is in sight. Captain J. N. Chrestman, of Belen, has donated 997 acres of splendid Mississippi Delta land. The property is now conservatively estimated at \$75,000. It is to be held until 1925, but after two years the income from it is to be equally divided between Mississippi College and the orphanage. In 1925 the trustees are allowed to sell the property and put the money into a building on Mississippi College campus. Mississippi College has reached the dawning of a glorious day.

Dr. W. T. Lowrey presented the report of the committee on the Judson memorial enterprise. He spoke tenderly of Judson and his great work. Dr. W. Y. Quisenberry, who is working in the interest of this memorial fund, spoke feelingly of the work. Dr. T. B. Ray has charge of the work. The purpose is to raise one million and a quarter dollars for educational and general equipment purposes in foreign lands.

Dr. H. P. Hurt, of Memphis, Tenn., was given 15 minutes to represent the Tri-State Hospital. He told of the splendid work being done in that institution, of needs and equipment stating that we have the best equipped hospital in the South.

The hour of prayer and praise having arrived, Brother Harry Leland Martin took charge. He mentioned a few things that we should ask for. Our opportunities, the future with its possibilities and the glorious things God has in store for us. We want to thank Him for our surroundings, the pleasant places in which He has placed us. The moments in which we lingered about the throne were sweet and helpful. Several brethren gave expression to things for which we ought to pray. In the midst of the beautiful spirit of worship, a brother arose and said he was an Italian but was converted a few years ago from Catholicism and feels that he is bound to us by a tie much stronger than that of family or nation. We are united by the tie of the blood of Jesus, which is stronger than any other cord. Prayers were offered by W. Y. Quisenberry, T. L. Holcomb and E. L. Wesson. While kneeling at a throne of grace, the convention sang sweetly "Revive Us Again."

The committee on State Educational Commission was presented by L. E. Barton. The committee, after reciting the interests connected with the Woman's College at Hattiesburg and Mississippi College. It presents the fact that the great need of our people now is education—Christian education—and hence the necessity for an education commission. The recommendations are as follows:

1. That an education commission be created for the purposes hereinafter named.
2. That it be chartered under the laws of the State of Mississippi, if deemed necessary or advisable by the commission, to carry out its purposes.

3. That its domicile be Jackson, Mississippi.

4. That said commission be composed of nine members to be elected by the Baptist State Convention at its present session, one-third of whom shall serve for one year, one-third for two years and one-third for three years and thereafter for a term of three years.

5. That none but Missionary Baptists in good standing shall be eligible to membership on said commission.

The purposes of the commission are:

1. To foster Christian education, subject to supervision of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

2. To safeguard the gifts of the denomination to its schools and colleges.

3. The commission shall exercise no authority or control over the local or internal affairs of the schools, but shall inaugurate and direct all money-raising efforts and endowment, or other purposes herein mentioned shall be undertaken except by order of said commission, and the commission is authorized to employ such agencies as in its judgment seems necessary for the expeditious accomplishment of its purposes aforesaid.

4. The commission shall not only act as the money raising agency of the convention for Christian education, but shall conduct a systematic and persistent propaganda for Christian education, and to this end may employ such agencies as the wisdom of the commission shall direct.

5. Any proposition looking to the acquisition of, or the establishment of other schools than Mississippi College and Woman's College shall first be referred to the education commission for investigation, and approval or disapproval, shall be submitted to the convention before any action is taken by this commission.

6. All appeals for funds for Christian education shall be made through the agency of the education commission.

7. No trustee of any beneficiary institution shall be a member of the education commission.

8. That the education commission shall co-operate with the trustees of Mississippi College in raising \$300,000 endowment for Mississippi College heretofore ordered by this convention.

9. The trustees of all schools owned or fostered by the convention shall be elected by the convention.

10. The education commission shall be vested with power and authority to originate and carry into effect all such measures as it may consider necessary to accomplish the purposes for which it was created.

Dr. L. E. Barton read the report, and made a strong speech in support of the organization of the commission.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The devotional exercises were sweet and profitable.

The committee on Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U. work presented a report. The chairman of committee, H. L. Weeks, spoke. He stated that he had often asked the ques-

tion in his own mind as to whether we could make the Sunday School a serious fact in our Christian work. Some of our folks seem never quite so happy as when they can say that they have three or four hundred people in the Sunday School. But they have not quite gotten down to seriously come to the task of teaching the facts about our holy religion and especially the teachings of the Bible. We have the quiet hour to approach the teaching problem but we do not utilize it as we should. We are improving, for we are developing better teachers. Better teachers can do better work.

Dr. I. J. Van Ness, editorial secretary of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., spoke for ten minutes. He was so limited in time that he could not give the report such consideration as he desired. But he said that all that was needed in Mississippi was to come and say, "We thank you." The convention has always stood by the board and its work.

The report states: "The relation of the church to the young is a matter of the gravest possible importance.

"What duty shall the church consider herself as owing to the children? What relation to them shall she seek to establish and maintain?"

"It is a well known fact that practically all of our denominations have felt the challenge of these questions, and each has sought, in some way, to answer them.

"In all the babel of confusing and conflicting answers, however, one of these facts gets tolerably clear and distinct expression. That fact is, that practically all Christian denominations recognize that the church owes it to the child to bring the knowledge of her saving truth to bear upon the young mind and spirit, and the church owes it to her sovereign Lord to see that the child is taught these mighty virtues.

"In America where religious liberty has been carried to its utmost extreme, it has become apparent that the Sunday School is practically the only means by which evangelical Christianity can relate itself to, and seek to solve the problem of religious education.

"In the State of Mississippi there are 250,000 pupils in our public schools. It is a conservative estimate to say that there are 75,000 pupils from Baptist homes in our public schools.

"We cannot overestimate the importance of our churches undertaking to do something more effective and worth while in this vastly too long neglected field, of educating and developing those committed to our care.

"The hour has come when we, the most numerous body of Christ's followers, in all the South, should seriously address ourselves to this supremely important question of training and educating our people especially our young.

"In our Seminary at Louisville, the chair of Sunday School pedagogy was made possible by the generosity of our Sunday School Board, has already served the noble purpose of so emphasizing this great work of

religious education that many other denominations are following our example.

"There is an air of splendid optimism about our Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work in all the South."

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital report was presented by Zeno Wall. The report shows that the Master gave his endorsement to hospital work in that He gave much time to healing the body. The hospital has been self-supporting during the past year.

The W. M. U. raised yesterday about \$2,000 for a memorial to Mrs. W. R. Wood.

The committee recommends the executive board's plan to secure additional men with a view to raising the funds within the next 60 days, and we urge co-operation of all pastors and all other friends of the hospital.

Again, we recommend that the Sunday Schools follow the example set by the W. M. U.'s in pledging funds for special rooms and beds for children.

Resolved That this convention in session instruct and urge the board of trustees to proceed with the erection of the building at once.

Dr. P. I. Lipsey spoke some earnest words urging the convention to put this work in its right place along with the preaching and teaching. The healing goes along with the other two.

Judge Price, a member of the board of trustees, presented a strong argument for the raising of the money we now need for the building.

Dr. J. J. Mayfield, of St. Louis, was introduced by President W. T. Lowrey, who spoke of him as the originator of hospital work in the South. He recounted the way the work was accomplished in St. Louis. There are now four hospitals of the Mayfield system and two others needed. He said that this hospital work is expansive. Surgeons have a way of opening up things, and by a process of expanding the skull. He told how the General Baptist Convention of Texas had given Dr. H. C. Buckner, Manager of Buckner Orphans' Home, \$80,000. He is just 80 years old. Thus they celebrated his eightieth birthday.

Dr. Mayfield has given his entire estate, amounting to \$350,000, to the Lord and His work. So all that he has now is a living for himself and wife, and the privilege of going where he pleases. That is the reason he is here.

Rev. A. J. Preston presented the report on the Baptist Orphanage. The report sets forth the Bible idea of care for the needy. Superintendent Carter says that more room is needed now and that with \$2,000 an addition can be made sufficient that will answer present demands. It is also recommended that additional land be purchased for a farm on which the larger boys can be occupied.

J. S. Berry told some things about the car work; how the work can be carried on. We need leaders to manage the work of getting up supplies. We must be careful not to allow this car work to interfere with the money contributions.

Superintendent Carter told the convention to bill the car—not the things in the car. It is better to have a man with the car, even

if you have to pay his way. Superintendent Carter also recommended that the pastors and the people do what they can to aid a mother to take care of that poor mother and keep her children with her. Also that we co-operate with the homeseekers' society.

The convention adjourned. Prayer by L. E. Barton.

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

At an early hour the auditorium of the First church was crowded to the utmost capacity. Mississippi Woman's College was the subject for the consideration of the convention. President Johnson had arranged to have the whole student body presented to the brethren. It was an inspiring sight to see the 153 girls march to the front and occupy the space that had been left to receive them.

H. L. Martin conducted the devotions. Some of the old songs of Zion, such as "How Firm a Foundation" and "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus," were sung. Prayer was offered by Martin Ball.

Dr. J. B. Lawrence, of Columbus, read the report on Mississippi College and ministerial education. The report was a matchless one and was read by the chairman in a vigorous manner. The great audience sat in breathless silence to hear the eloquent speech of Dr. Lawrence.

The endowment should be raised because Mississippi needs it. The speaker proceeded to show why we need it.

It was a pleasure and happy joy to have President Provine appear in the convention. He made a brief statement of the condition of the college and the effort to obtain the \$100,000 from the General Education Board of New York. He said Dr. W. T. Lowrey would speak for the college. The first thing he said was that we have a president who was a man of faith, courage and loyalty—great in mind and heart.

Captain W. T. Ratliff spoke just a little and gave his time to Dr. B. D. Gray, of the Home Board, who is an alumnus of Mississippi College. His speech was unreportable; but thrilled every one. The audience could not refrain from clapping their hands.

The report says in part: "Mississippi College is deposited securely in the life of the State.

"But while its energies shall always be directed towards the moral redemption, the spiritual uplift and the material progress of the State, yet Mississippi College belongs to the Kingdom of God and the Baptists.

"This institution into which the energy of nearly a century of denominational toil and struggle has been stored, is the property in fee simple of the Baptist State Convention of Mississippi. The lives of those who have gone out from the institution have added their powers to those composite world-forces which look to world-redemption and world-progress. But on the material side we can cast up the account. On the campus, which, year by year, is being transformed by the touch of administrative genius, into a thing of beauty, there now

stands a science building, valued at \$46,113.45; a modern equipped dormitory and dining hall valued at \$80,000; the old laboratory, valued at \$5,000; cottages, valued at \$4,000; and the chapel building, whose every brick and stick of timber is sacred to the thousands who have gone out from her halls valued at \$25,000. This with the library and apparatus—physical, chemical and biological—which are valued at \$9,819, makes a total asset, not including endowment, of \$133,460, making a total asset to the denomination of \$312,396.45.

OUR PRESENT NEEDS.

"The pressing needs of the college are a library building, an administration building, and the endowment increased by at least \$300,000. The library building should not cost less than \$25,000. The administration building should not cost less than \$75,000."

The report recommended that the convention put the stamp of its approval upon the movement to raise \$200,000 as additional endowment and put a suitable man in the field at once.

W. E. Farr, of Columbia, read the report of the convention on Mississippi Baptist Woman's College. The glee club of the college rendered a beautiful anthem which was greatly enjoyed.

The report says that the education of the womanhood of Mississippi means much to our denominational life. To ignore this fact is folly and suicide. To foster our denominational schools in this section of the State is the highest wisdom. No investment in our denominational progress bears better than the money spent in a girls' college. The keynote of the work this year must be enlargement and better equipment. The committee earnestly recommends better equipment of this school at an early date. The college needs an administration building and a library. The outlook of the school is bright and encouraging. One hundred and fifty-three students, with 86 boarders, have been enrolled, including 16 pastors' daughters, representing over thirty counties and including thirty girls who had been to other colleges. The faculty numbers fourteen. All of the above students, except ten, have come from south of the A. & V. Railroad. The industrial department is meeting the present demand; but there is a need for some improvements, which we hope and pray will soon be made. The committee speaks in highest praise of President John L. Johnson, Jr. His management has been characterized by great wisdom, aggressiveness, consecration and general efficiency. The committee further recommends that the nominating committee be requested to nominate 27 trustees instead of 21. The president made an earnest plea for the college. He recited the difficulties which beset him in opening a new school. But trusting in the good Lord the blessings of God came to him. The girls began to pour in, and his efforts were rewarded by success.

The convention took up the matter of appointing an education commission. The

report was re-read and after the reading, was adopted.

Convention adjourned, with prayer by Theo. W. Gayer.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The delegation was quite small at the opening session. H. L. Martin led the devotions. "Amazing Grace" was sung. He read Luke 2 and emphasized the idea of losing Christ. We may lose the consciousness of His presence, but He never loses us. Even messengers to a convention in the house of God may lose Christ. Even in doing things we must do we lose Christ.

The president recognized W. E. Tynes, of Texas, and Dr. J. B. Gambrell, a Mississippi-Texan, was also recognized and welcomed. Each of them spoke a few words, expressing joy at being with-us.

Dr. I. W. Read read the report of the committee on woman's work. The report shows that men are being led to higher ground through the activity of the women. There is coming into our churches a larger outlook through the touch of woman's activity. The women of Mississippi gave to Foreign Missions \$5,541.43 and to Home Missions \$4,007.60; for all purposes, \$36,342.90—over \$11,000 more than last year. But the work of the women cannot be estimated in dollars and cents—their influence is much wider than a money consideration.

Dr. Read, in a happy manner, spoke to the convention of woman's work.

Dr. C. V. Edwards of Greenwood, read the report of the committee on Home Missions. The report showed how great the work before us is. The report recommends the reading and circulation of the Home Board literature, the securing of subscriptions to the Home Field, and the organizing of Home Mission study classes. The report also recommends that Mississippi Baptists heartily co-operate in raising the amount asked by the Southern Baptist Convention, and that we pray and work for the time when no Mississippi Baptists will give less than a two-cent postage stamp a week for the redemption of home and native land.

The entire hour was given to Dr. B. D. Gray, secretary of the Home Board. He went over the entire field and urged the importance of every one giving time, thought, work and means to propagate the work of the board.

The report of the board of ministerial education was read by President Provine, of Mississippi College. The board has expended \$3,719.88. The income is \$3,939.52. There are 85 ministerial students which is largely in excess of any enrollment we have ever had and more men asking for assistance than ever in our history. Thirty young men are getting board free. The indebtedness of the board now is \$2,700.

A collection was taken for ministerial support, or support for students at Clinton of \$1,185.

The report of the committee on nominations was read by J. W. Lee. Very little change was made in the personnel of the various boards. Same brother to preach the convention sermon who preaches the

sermon of the ministers' conference. Columbia was the place selected for the next meeting of the convention.

A collection for the orphanage was taken to raise \$2,000 to finish up the building to house the orphans knocking at the door. A collection of \$985 was taken. The committee on publications reported through J. L. Lowe. The report showed that the subscription list had been doubled. The committee recommends that the convention renew our pledge to recognize The Baptist Record as our official news medium, and that the pastors and churches do all in their power to establish the church-subscription plan of putting the paper in the homes of our people. The report gives expression to pleasure in the fraternal relation existing between The Mississippi Baptist and our paper and wish for it, as well as our own, great usefulness in the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

Addresses were made by J. C. Parker, W. L. Barton, and E. E. Thornton.

FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The committee on aged ministers' relief reported that \$1,706.06 has been collected for this fund. There was a surplus from last year which enabled the convention to meet the demands. The total amount spent this year is \$2,693. There is a balance of \$7.77 in the treasury. It will require \$5,000 the coming year to meet the demands.

Rev. I. P. Trotter, of Hattiesburg, asked a little time for the convention to present a matter which was near his heart. He invited Dr. A. V. Rowe to come to the platform. In some well-chosen words he was presented with a watch in token of his twenty years of service as missionary secretary. This was a mark of esteem from Mississippi Baptists. The scene that followed was very tender and affecting. The entire audience came forward and shook hands with Brother Rowe, while we sang "Blest Be the Tie that Binds." He tried to respond to the generous token of affection shown by the convention, but his throat would "clog" and his eyes were bedimmed with tears. He spoke of the help the brethren, the churches and friends had given him—but with full heart and quivering lips he referred to her who has remained at home with the children and cared for it all. His reference was beautiful. A prayer of thanksgiving was offered by Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas.

The report on temperance was read by Chairman E. J. Ellzey, presenting our opposition to all kinds of intemperance. The report was strong and aggressive, urging activity in putting down all forms of wickedness which lead to the use of strong drink.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, of Texas, gave the convention a splendid talk on the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He showed the necessity of not only two seminaries, but three. He said in no way were the institutions antagonistic. He urged attendance upon both of these schools. His

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speech was interspersed with many stories, which entertained his audience, but all illustrated some profound truth which he intended to convey.

He says that every State ought to pay the expenses of her young preachers who attend any seminary.

FRIDAY—EVENING SESSION.
The auditorium was well filled for the last session of the convention. H. L. Martin read the opening verses of Heb. 12. The church choir sang "That Will Be Glory for Me."

President W. T. Lowrey led the convention in a prayer of thanksgiving for the great men who have inspired our hearts by their example and words.

J. H. Anding read the report of the committee on obituaries. Beautiful mention was made of many of our dead, especially of Dr. H. F. Sproles, who was so loved all over the State and the Southern Baptist Convention. Brother Anding spoke feelingly of all those who have gone to be with Jesus.

Dr. Rowe spoke especially of Missionary Simmons and told of his love for his people, but his work was in another land.

The memorial service was introduced by a splendid quartette of young men, members of the local choir—"In the Blessed Bye and Bye."

Dr. J. B. Gambrell spoke very feelingly of the beautiful life of Dr. H. F. Sproles. He could speak knowingly because of such intimate acquaintance. He was constantly good—a godly man. He had the elements of godliness in him. He was full of the Holy Ghost and faith. He would help every life he touched. The best day that any Christian will ever see is the day he dies.

Dr. B. D. Gray paid a beautiful tribute to the memory of Dr. Sproles. He knew him intimately. He was a thinker. He was fond of music. He was meditative.

Bishop Gallowsay said he was the greatest preacher of any denomination. He lived for God and influenced the whole State for God. Dr. John L. Johnson, Sr., though very feeble, came to say a few words concerning his very dear friend. After the talk of Dr. Johnson the choir sang sweetly, "Higher Ground."

The closing prayer was made by Dr. A. V. Rowe.

The great convention adjourned to meet with the Columbia church in 1913.

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Non-Christian Faiths in America.
By Elizabeth B. Vermilye.

One of the fundamental ideals of this nation is religious freedom for one's self and toleration for one's neighbor. However, in as much as from the beginning our nation has been a Christian one, our claim of complete religious tolerance has really been applied in connection with the different forms and expressions of Christianity.

The bulk of the "old immigration" bore the stamp of Christianity, Catholic or Protestant; non-Christian faiths were looked at across continents only vividly realized by foreign missionaries or traders to the East. To be sure, Mormonism—East. To be sure, Mormonism—that anomaly of times and systems—was with us; but so few in adherents, so negligible in position, so far off in location and influence, that it usually was not recognized as hybrid and alien, when met as "church of Latter Day Saints of Jesus Christ." However, the new immigration, with its Asiatic element, has brought into our country the "heathen religions" upon whose overthrow, in foreign countries, have spent millions of dollars and sacrificed hundreds of lives.

Hinduism—in one of its six orthodox forms (Vedantism) is making many converts here. Buddhism—following in the wake of Chinese and Japanese—has established itself on our western coasts, with temples and shrines, one of which contains an ancient and very sacred image of the Buddha, worshipped by all the faithful. To these, not only old-time Buddhists but new converts of Anglo-Saxon blood, are being drawn.

Theosophy, while claiming to be of all—though above all—religious, is in its views and practices, most in sympathy with the religion of Buddha. The ancient and divine wisdom, which Buddha claimed to have found above any other leader or sage, is the same as that which Theosophy is spreading, with wide acceptance, through every part of our land. These ancient faiths in modern dress come to this nominally Christian nation with the assertion that they interfere with no faith, but can respect and assimilate any truth. They speak of the Christ with respect—often with reverence; they quote His sayings and show interest in His life and teachings; but each places its own teachers and prophets above Him in authority, and denies the very essence and meaning of His religion.

The latest of these prophets who brings to us the "message of the East" is Abdul Baha, the present head of the religion first known as "Babism." This faith was founded by "the Bab" (meaning the deer), as a reform of Mohammedanism in Persia, as Buddhism was originally a reform of Brahmanism in India. "The Baha" is the nephew of "the Bab" who perished under persecution in Persia. He has come to America with a message of universal peace. He has been received in many Christian pulpits to give his messages, which in answer to a written question, he declares to be "the message of the spiritual, brought from the land where the spiritual is understood," and offered to us "in

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exchange for our understanding of the material. He speaks of "his Holiness Mohammed," "his Holiness Abraham," and "His Holiness Christ," but gives precedence, of course, to the first. A place of worship and a number of teaching centers have been opened, and there are already many Babbists in America.

The latest religious census of 1910 gives the increase of these non-Christian faiths as less than one per cent; this does not include Mormonism, whose gain alone has been 38 per cent. Neither were these figures claimed to be exact, for the Theosophists never give numbers; the Vedantists are often merged in other religious organizations, and the census was taken in 1906 before the "heathen invasion" became of noticeable proportions. With 50,000,000 in the United States without any religious affiliations; with almost 1,000,000 Mormons; with fast-growing ranks of openly, or in reality, non-Christian faiths—how long will this nation have the right to call itself "Christian?" All of these religions in themselves may not affect largely the life of the nation, but we have only to study their fruits in the lands of their birth to realize the type of morality, standards of living, and national character which they produce. Many of these faiths in their esoteric teachings are beautiful and mysteriously attractive; but would we choose India instead of England; China instead of Germany; Turkey instead of Italy; or even Japan instead of

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From the Secretary's Office.

At a meeting of the Central Committee of the 15th, it was decided to have a Y. W. A. send their apportionment of this ten cents per member per annum direct to their own Y. W. A. leader to assist her with their own specific work. Will all Y. W. A.'s take notice of this?

Several papers read at the meeting should be put in tract form and scattered broadcast over our State. One of these is the magnificent discussion in titling by Mrs. King, the wife of Pastor King, of Jackson. It is one of the most convincing arguments ever presented to any audience on this subject.

Mrs. J. P. Harrington's round table discussion on the standard of excellence brought out many splendidly prepared, thoughtful and thought-provoking addresses. All were good, but not one need be disparaged by special mention being made of Mrs. W. M. Whittington's and Mrs. R. L. Bunyard's.

The presence of Miss Mallory and Miss Buhlmeier added much to the interest of the meetings. Both out of the abundance of their full store poured forth the things we most needed, and the hungry were fed, the thirsty given drink. Each of these God-sent sisters brought with her a blessing and left behind her a benediction.

Our W. M. U. meeting was a great one in many respects. It was splendidly attended. The women came and stayed till the close of each session. The attention given to each subject was intelligent and inspiring. The spirituality was felt throughout the entire time. It was a good meeting, and it was good to be there.

The meetings were held in the Second Baptist church, which is beautiful in arrangement, splendid as to acoustics, and comfortable in every respect. The ladies of the church kept it graced with lovely ferns and flowers, and aside from the feast for the soul, the feast for the eye was not lacking. Very heartfelt resolutions were tendered. Dr. King and his splendid congregation for their gracious entertainment.

One of the most helpful and far-reaching discussions in the entire meeting was the counsel of vice-president led by that par-excellent

Vice-President Mrs. Jeff Kent, of Hopewell Association. There were present 22 associational vice-presidents—two more than we had in the State last year. Every one brought something good and helpful. Special mention may be made of Miss Maggie Buchanan's chunks of wisdom which should be heard by some of our brethren (!)

The Y. W. A. Conference during the convention was a magnificent one. The dear young girls who had come from the I. I. & C., from Blue Mountain, from the Woman's College, from Hillman, and from elsewhere over the State to take part in the conference, brought with them all the enthusiasm and zeal of their bright young lives. Surely, Miss Bankston, the leader, has much to be thankful for; and we have much to be grateful for in having her as our leader.

The resolution introduced requesting that each member of each W. M. U. and each Y. W. A. in the State send ten cents per annum to the Central Committee to be used for the advancement of the work, seems to your secretary to be a wise step forward. The ten cents per year will not be missed by any of us. But if each of us will carry out this idea it will mean much for our work. May we not all consider this matter prayerfully, and do our little part to help make up a handsome whole?

The memorial service in honor of our late secretary, Mrs. W. R. Woods was a very appropriate one. The vacant chair, draped in Union colors and laden with white chrysanthemums, itself spoke eloquently of our loss. The sisters who spoke out of full hearts voiced the sentiments of the silent one. It was a fitting tribute to a lovely life. But our W. M. U. did not rest with a mere memorial service. The right step was taken at once. At the suggestion of the president, the "Anne Kate Wood" ward in our State Hospital was made a certainty by the raising of the funds at once. Our vice-president, Mrs. A. J. Aven, did herself and the occasion honor by the quick, quiet, and dignified manner in which she secured the needed amount for this memorial.

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Meeting of the W. M. U.

Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 12, at 3 o'clock the W. M. U. of Mississippi met in the Second Baptist church, Jackson. Devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Kathleen Mallory, of Baltimore, Md.

Then followed the usual order of the meeting. Welcome address by Mrs. W. A. Borum, Jackson. Response by Mrs. Eva M. Hammack, Florida.

It is useless to say these ladies gave and received in a most gracious manner. The report of the enrollment committee then followed, with a beautiful memorial for Mrs. W. R. Wood, late corresponding secretary of the State W. M. U. Annual roll-call answered by associational vice-presidents, giving a report on the most significant feature of the year's work.

"Seven Months of Service" by Miss M. M. Lackey, the corresponding secretary of Mississippi W. M. U. This report and the chart that had been prepared showed every detail of the work, told of hours of arduous labor and faithful service for the Master—her heart is in her work, and she is fitted for it, and loves to do it.

Y. W. A. CONFERENCE AND REPORT ON TRAINING SCHOOLS.
 Miss Marion Bankston.

We failed to hear this, but we know the little lady personally, and while she is small, she is mighty fine, and is leading the Y. W. A.'s on to mountain heights.

Mrs. W. S. Smith, Meridian, is still pleading for the Royal Ambassadors. Sisters, won't you help this good woman in this part of our work and help your own little sons to become interested in the R. A.'s? "Personal Service," Miss Nell Bullock, Meridian. This came close home to every woman present—not what your sister is doing, but what you are doing. I am sure that some of us will keep this message in our hearts.

Miss Mariah Johnson, Hattiesburg, college correspondent, gave quite an interesting report on this work among college girls. I heard some very pleasing comments on this report.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOV. 13, 9 O'CLOCK.

Found the women of the W. M. U. filling the church, all happy and glad, yet with an earnestness that spoke well for the day's work that was before them. Devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Buhlmeier. This devout woman lives very close to the Lord, and it always makes one feel near heaven to hear her conduct the devotional exercises. No meeting was opened or work done without first asking God's blessing and guidance.

The address of the president, Mrs. W. A. McComb, Clinton, was among the good things I missed.

Miss Kathleen Mallory's address was spoken of in such terms of praise that I felt a personal loss in not getting to hear it, but knowing Mrs. McComb's love for the work, and the women of Mississippi, I feel safe in saying it was practical and thoroughly good in every way.

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"Tithing," by Mrs. H. M. King, Jackson. What more can I say about this splendid paper than that it was a jewel and we hope to have it in printed form soon, so that our women may all read it.

"The Work in Other Lands," represented by Mrs. H. W. Provence, was full of facts and figures that showed that she was thoroughly acquainted with the work.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—3 O'CLOCK.

"W. M. U. Apportionments," by Mrs. J. A. Lee, Meridian. Mrs. Lee is a good worker and she believes in doing things and doing it now.

Report on State Missions, by Mrs. Martin Ball, Winona. Discussed by Mrs. Lester Underwood, Terry, which was very interesting, and like all that comes from these women's hands—it was well done.

Of course, Miss Buhlmeier's address was the feature of the afternoon and her hearers listened with rapt attention, and wished that they could be allowed to listen longer to the beautiful stories told by this godly woman.

The election of officers and reading of the minutes closed one of the best sessions of the W. M. U. that has ever been held.

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Miss Buhlmeier has so captivated the women of the Baptist Convention that those members of the other sex are anxious to hear her. Last night, with Mrs. McComb, she went over to Clinton and there spoke to the students of Mississippi College; also to the girls at Hillman College, Clinton, gave her a royal welcome, which she deserves.—Jackson Daily News.

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LETTER FROM MEXICO

The managers of The Record Piano Club have just received a letter from Miss McClelland, Missionary of Tampa, Mexico, speaking in terms of highest praise of the club piano which the young ladies of the Daniel Baker College, Brownwood, Tex., have presented to the mission there. Miss McClelland is a graduate of the Daniel Baker College and the young ladies of that institution have taken this means of expressing their interest in her mission work.

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The State Fair is over, and it was great. We put in a one-farm exhibit and some Poland-China hogs. We hardly expected to be counted as a competitor for anybody, but we came in for the fourth prize on a one-farm exhibit; second and third prizes on hogs, together with some first and second prizes on agricultural articles. We were glad to have something for our many friends to see. If our children would have been the judges, we would have gotten the first prize on everything. It was very encouraging to us to note the interest that our friends took in our exhibit. We were glad to have hundreds and hundreds of them come out and see our home.

MONEY IN IT.

Every one ought to take advantage of the opportunity to save money. You can save money in two ways—by buying a good article and by buying it at the right price. Notice the Bible offered on page 16 of this issue.

A Good Idea.

I am just in receipt of a letter from one of our girls who is teaching, and she is planning for a Thanksgiving program and collection for the two orphanages. She says that her children are very enthusiastic and scampering around to

get up the nickles, dimes and quarters for collection some time near Thanksgiving day. We greatly appreciate this, especially since it is from one of our own girls. We shall be glad to send necessary literature to any others who may want to try this plan in their schools and we are sure that Brother Williams will be glad to do the same.

Financial.

We have managed, by the hardest, to get through the summer practically without debt. The Taylor-Willis Grocery Co. and the Jackson Fertilizer Co. having carried open accounts during the summer. Otherwise, we have not fallen behind more than a month at any time. With the increased contributions, as they are coming in now, we hope soon to be able to pay up all of our indebtedness. Our home is full to overflowing, and we shall need to enlarge our capacity to meet the demands that are being made upon us.

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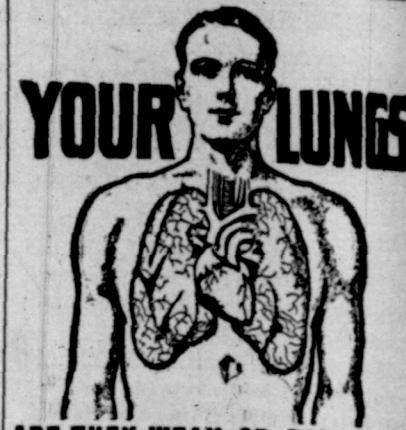
Potatoes.

We have made a fine crop of potatoes, and are asking our friends not to ship potatoes to us for they are so bruised by the time they get here, that we cannot sell them to any advantage, and they rot before we can eat them. We can use turnips, or rutabagas, cured meats, or corn, as we will need three or four hundred bushels more to take care of our hogs, and all the other things that you have been sending.

Thanksgiving.

With most of our people over the State, this has been a hard year, on account of so much rain in most places, the boll weevil, the plague of the cotton crop, and in many others, cholera among the hogs. We have shared with our friends in the matter of too much rain, but in the main it has been a good year with us. We have made a fair crop but not enough corn to do us. Our hogs have done well—we have now about 80 head.

We have had fine health among our children—not a death or a serious case of sickness during the year. For all this we are thankful.



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Letters from Orphanage Children.

Baptist Orphanage.

Dear Friends:—

I am a little girl 13 years old, and I am in the fifth grade. My teacher is Miss Alice Criss, and I like her fine.

Miss Effie Bryant is my matron. She is so sweet to us girls, and every night just before bed time, we go in her room and sing, and she reads the Bible to us. I joined the church on September 17, 1912, and I am a member of the First Baptist church.

I have no mother or father, but one sister and two brothers.

We have Sunday School every Sunday. I am thankful for this fine home and for things to eat and wear. I am thankful to go to school and learn, for the dear friends that send us clothes, and for my sister and brothers.

We have twenty-five cows. We have raised on our farm this year corn, potatoes, pumpkins, cane, hay,

and several other minor things. Besides this, we have raised a lot of vegetables, etc.

I wish you all a happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,

Kate Burt.

Baptist Orphanage.

Dear Friends:—

As I was asked to write to you and tell you about our farm, I will take pleasure in doing so. We cultivate 80 acres of land, and raise enough corn to feed seven head of horses and mules, and about 75 hogs. We also furnish our home with meal all the year round. We raise our potatoes and cut enough hay for seven horses and 21 milch cows with six to eight heifers through the winter. We also pull enough fodder so that if any of our stock get sick we will have something that they will eat.

We raise all our vegetables for the summer and everything that will grow through the winter. We do not raise sugar cane to make molasses, but for the children to chew. We usually raise a great many watermelons, but they did not do anything this year. The boys get good training on the farm, but two or three do the shop work. Our boys do not work any harder than any other boys, as some people think we do. We have eight months of school, and two boys have to stay out and do the necessary work on the farm from 8 a. m. to 3 p. m. We have two meals a day during the school session—breakfast and dinner; we also have a lunch at 1 p. m., for there are so many of us that we can't have three meals a day and do the work that needs to be done in the winter, but in the summer we have three meals a day.

We are glad for our friends to come and see our home any time. May God bless you all, and make you a blessing.

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Baptist Orphanage.

Dear Friends:—

Before the next issue of The Gem, Thanksgiving will have come and gone, and I know you are all looking forward to that day with great pleasure. We surely are, for with us here at the orphanage, it is a great day.

Can we be thankful enough unto God for all the blessings that He has so abundantly bestowed upon us? Our answer will be "No," for they have been too numerous. God has greatly blessed our home this year. We have now 228 children and have not had a death this year. Neither have we had an epidemic of any kind. Of course, we have had some sickness, but nothing very serious. One thing that makes me happier than anything almost, is that we haven't had to borrow any money this year. We have not been able to finish the third floor of our new building, but we are leaving that in the hands of Him who knows best.

We children have so much to be grateful for. Through God's love, you good people have provided us with a home; you are giving us food and clothing, an education, spiritual training, and everything that goes to make a good man or woman, so if we justly appreciate what you are doing for us, we will make the men and women that you are expecting. I feel sure that most of us will, anyway.

We have two girls in college at Blue Mountain this year, and I am very glad that I will have the opportunity of going to college next year. Out of a class of 23 are left three, and those are Thelma Page, my sister and I. Through the kindness of the Baptist girls of the I. L. & C., and the ladies of the First Baptist church, arrangements have been made for my sister and me to go to the I. L. & C. We have always been ambitious for an education, and you don't know how glad we are that we have this opportunity. Thelma will go to college, too, but I don't know where yet. Our girls that graduated last year have positions in our school and the other is stenographer. Our school here is doing fine. Last month's reports showed that some good work had been done for the first month of the term.

Another thing that we are all very thankful for is that we have a regular doctor for our home now. Since Dr. Fulham's death, Dr. Applewhite makes regular visits to the home twice each week, whether we have any sickness or not. Already we are beginning to feel like he belongs to us, and he will never know how much we appreciate his service. Last, but not least, we are thankful for our friends and for what they are doing for us. May we ever prove ourselves worthy of their sacrifices.

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The Mountain Children.

By Julia Fraser.

Miss Murfree's stories, and later those of John Fox, Junior, have vividly portrayed a people previously little known to the general public, the mountaineers of the South. They live in the mountainous sections of eight states, namely, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama, within a short distance of the nation's capitol, and yet have been practically a people forgotten and passed by. They are largely the descendants of the Scotch-Irish, who, in the years from 1740-1760, landed in large numbers at Charleston and opened up a rich and fertile country.

Probably no portion of the colonies suffered more during the war of the Revolution than the part occupied by those hardy pioneers. These were the men who formed the West Virginia Association and who drew up the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, claimed to be the first written statement of Republican government on the American continent. Cornwallis, in his vigorous march through the South, called these people "the horrids," and vowed he would scatter the "horrids' nest," only to be repulsed by them in many skirmishes, and finally met complete defeat in the battle of King's Mountain. After peace was finally established, the young and hardy pushed over the mountains and laid the foundations of the mighty inland empire, a story graphically portrayed in Colonel Roosevelt's book, the "Winning of the West," but the old people, the maimed and the lame who had suffered in the war, and those encumbered with large families, drifted back to the mountains, securing little patches of ground which they killed and there they lived. In those early days the mountains were full of game, the little patches of land yielded rich returns of grain and of tobacco and cotton was also raised. The invention of the cotton gin in the last part of the eighteenth century suddenly made all cotton lands very valuable and put a premium on slave labor. These people were never slave holders, and those who still maintained their homes in the valleys were rapidly sold out and driven backwards into the mountains.

Today the descendants of these mountain people are living in a poverty and degradation difficult for the general American public to believe possible. The grants for the school lands are insufficient and the schools are very poor. Of course, this is largely due to the poverty of the people. It was in this part of the country that the famous "blab school" originated; that is, where school children are actually taught to stultify, and such schools are literally heard for miles before they are seen. Isolation has also been a marked cause of the degradation existing in the mountains. In this

part of the country there are no great lakes, navigable rivers, or a seacoast, making water means, which is the cheapest mode of communication, utterly impossible. The miserable roads were often impassable. With isolation, no public schools worthy the name, no educated ministry to hold up high ideals, the people simply degenerated and the recent violent scene at Hillsboro (Va.), is a natural consequence of 150 years of "let-alone-iveness." About twenty-five years ago some churches and some generous philanthropists began establishing schools in the mountains of the South and a marvelous transformation has been effected.

The schools are of two kinds—the little widely scattered day schools, where the children are drilled in the rudiments, and the larger boarding schools where industrial arts are taught.

A memorable trip is indelibly impressed on the writer's mind, when after a horseback ride of many miles through the mountains, when the same mountain torrent was forded many times, a sudden turn in the trail brought the schoolhouse prominently into view. There it was perched upon the steep mountain-side, surrounded by a glory of autumn foliage, with the same mountain stream tumbling madly below it, and in a little cove farther down the cottage occupied by the teachers, but not another building anywhere, and what was more to the point, not a house had been passed during the eighteen-mile ride! All my life I had heard of the "woeful waste of missionary money," the "extravagance of the sentimental missionaries," and all my life I had been looking for such an example; and now in the mountain fastnesses of the South I thought I had found my first example of this so-much-talked-about waste of good money! For whoever heard of building a school where there were no children to attend it, and, of course, there could be no children where there were no towns or villages or homes. With such virtuous thoughts crowding my brain, I finished my ride by again fording the treacherous river, climbed the steep bank, dismounted from my pony, went up the steps—opened the door and was confronted by 125 eager boys and girls, taught by two young mountain girls who themselves had recently graduated from our mission normal school, not very many miles away!

To my anxious inquiry, "Where do all these children come from?" one of the girls simply said: "Every little cove, every little sheltered spot, has its cabin home; all are crowded with children and they all come to school!"

Certainly they were there in school, crowded and lacking equipment and many conveniences, but all good-natured and anxious "to have a chance" to do better.

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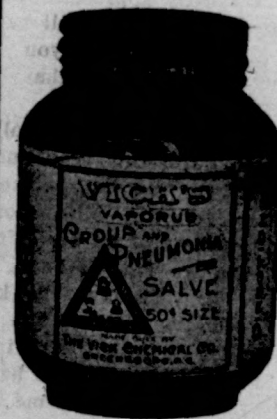
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Governor Brewer's Church Membership Honored by Legislature.

It is not often that a legislative body officially recognizes the value of the church relations of a State official, and it is interesting to know of the action taken by the Mississippi Legislature in passing the following resolution:

"Whereas, We have read with great pleasure the following remarks of the devoted mother of our esteemed governor, the Hon. Earl Brewer, who, when asked if the day her son was inaugurated governor of the State of Mississippi, was not the happiest day of her life, 'I was just as happy when my boy joined the church,' therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the above expression be inscribed on our journal as an example to the mothers of our State, and to show our appreciation of this splendid sentiment."

It will be remembered that when a candidate for the gubernatorial office, Mr. Brewer declared, "I have always stated, both on the stump, and over my own signature, that I am now, have been all of my life, and expect to die a red hot, uncompromising prohibitionist, in favor of statutory prohibition and national prohibition. If the W. C. T. U. can make it any stronger than that, write it out and pass it up to me and I will sign it."—North Carolina White Ribbon.

The cities of Vicksburg, Natchez and Biloxi are dominated by the underworld, the officers perjure themselves, license men to violate the State prohibition law, in licensing a "near beer" joint and the officers are to go blind. The Governor thought he did not have the authority to stop them, but after Mrs. Kells wrote one or two open letters to him, he gave the sheriff of Warren county his orders and he got busy. The next legislature should give the governor power to remove any official for failing or refusing to enforce the prohibition law and the violators of the law would not work so hard to elect men they can use.

In Tennessee, the better element were victorious in electing a Christian prohibitionist as governor and defeating Patterson for the Senate. The Lord be praised for the sovereign voting for a principle and not party. The next legislature will have a majority that believe in law-enforcement, and they will give the governor the power to remove officers that refuse to enforce the State prohibition law, and Memphis, and Chattanooga and Nashville will become decent cities.

The curse of God is on the liquor traffics. Courts and legislatures

All decent society is barring it out. All fraternal brotherhoods are bolting their doors against it. Commercial institutions are drawing the line of employment against its patrons. The railroads are prohibiting their employees from even visiting a saloon. The Southern Express Company will remove an old employee for getting drunk. They are barred from all Protestant churches.

In New Orleans they send some of them to the legislature. You could not expect better of a city that has their segregated restricted district only one block from Canal street, and across the street from the union depot. The saloons have rooms above for their patrons and curtained booths back of the saloon for them to meet, and as long as the orders for drinks come regular, the couple can occupy the room.

The liquor traffic is a thief. It robs its customers of his friends—his character, his reputation, his money, his family. It has stolen the coffin from a dead child, and the last crust from a living child. It will steal virtue from the heart of a daughter, and will take from a widow her only son. In 1879-1

said that I would never vote for an openly immoral man—a man that drank whiskey himself, or treated others, to obtain their votes, and he must be in favor of the suppression of liquor. I have not voted for the nominee every time, and I have broken the rule one time and voted for a drinking man. If every one who believes in prohibition would

do that, better men would be nominated. The vote that Wilson got for President speaks volumes, I think. W. H. Patton.

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America, as standards of nation excellence?

But the universal brotherhood—Theosophy and Buddhism; the universality of Brahminism and Vedantism; the universal peace of Bahá'ism, will not bring this nation into eternal contest and external disaster. Only Mormonism—the mixture, as one has said "of Moham medanism, Judaism, Paganism, and Diabolism" with its claim of right to "universal dominion" founded on divine decree—is a menace to the honor and well-being of the nation.

What is Mormonism? In its last analysis, Mormonism is an aggressive hierarchy, owning one state, politically controlling at least seven others, claiming the right to govern absolutely "from the cradle to the grave" every act—including, of course, the vote—of every adherent. It constitutes a compact kingdom within our republic, under the absolute control of one man, "divinely appointed," with unlimited resource in lives and money; so compact is its organization, so far-reaching is its power, that no lines of government, commerce, or industry in this country today entirely escape its influence. It is said that relatively to its size and numbers, the Mormon church is the most powerful organization in the world. The divine order of plural marriage, known by the Mormons as now, Bishop Spruill, of Utah, and many other residents in that state, fully corroborate that statement. Polygamy is only one item, although a vital one, of the Mormon propaganda. On this world as polygamy, is at the root of the belief of the Mormon church; absolutely inseparable from its teachings of God, of morality, of the family life and relations, of the very nature of heaven itself. Since the admission to statehood, on the pledge of giving up the practice of polygamy, the nation has believed it "as dead as the inquisition;" but the residents in Utah, those who have been converts and those who have investigated conditions—uninfluenced by Mormon guides—testify unflinchingly that polygamy is a living institution, and only needs the freedom of power, or protection, to become a national issue. Ex-Senator Cannon, declared in New York, a few months ago, that "polygamy was never so aggressive, so widespread, so openly practiced among young men, however, the Mormon church was saved from disruption in its early history; it is held together by it today, as it involves so many side-issues—of family pride and loyalty; of religious standing and commercial prosperity; of real religious belief; and of the status and place of those unfortunate women—the plural wives and their children.

The power of the Mormon hierarchy with our government can be somewhat estimated when we consider that Reed Smoot—one of the twelve "apostles" of the Mormon church—is a leading senator; chairman of the government publicity bureau; close friend of the president, and of Senator Aldrich, whose meas-

ures he always supports. In the investigation for expulsion from the Senate, "it was not proven" that Reed Smoot was a polygamist; he was not, however, tried on that issue. It was abundantly proven that he was a leader, and "apostle" in an organization which stands for polygamy; whose supreme and "infallible" head—by his own sworn testimony—has, and intends to keep five wives, because by not doing so, he would "violate the command of God and be damned." On this ground, and because he had sworn allegiance to the church above the nation, the investigating committee recommended the expulsion of Smoot.

The authority of Mormonism is based on the divinity of the "book of Mormon," a curious medley of many styles, with parts taken from

the Koran. The glaring mistakes, absurdities, and anachronisms of this book are visible at a glance to any intelligent reader, but it is the way of life to nearly a million people.

While the Mormon problem presents a field for Home Mission effort, it is not for this nation, a religious question. The bulk of the Mormon adherents are a simple people, either fanatic or deceived. In common with all other Americans, they have a right to their religious beliefs, so long as the beliefs and the practice of them do not interfere with law and decency. But it is because it is a political and social danger, threatening all of our national ideals of individual freedom; of the purity of the home; of an uncontrolled press; of modern as well as Christian standards of

morality and decency; and the peace of our nation at home and its honor abroad, that we should have the right to make a campaign against the Mormon church.

It is to patriotism, not to religious prejudice, that an appeal can be made for a united effort to check the practice, purposes and the growing power of the Mormon hierarchy.

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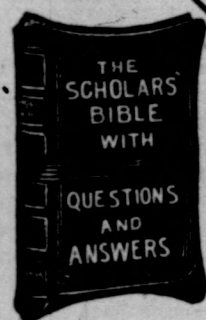
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